

## Title I and School Support

# **Focus School eBrief**

February 2018

### **Final Indistar Checkpoint of 2017-18**

The final Indistar check for this year will be **Tuesday**, **May 1**, **2018**. Please use the **Submit** button on Indistar when your objectives are ready to be reviewed by DPI.

To navigate to the **Submit** button:

- Go to the school main page
- Click on the Submissions arrow in the center left of the window.
- Click the **Submit** button behind the appropriate deadline date.

It is important that you click this button so that your Focus School consultant knows your work is complete and ready for review. If you should accidentally submit early, let your Focus School consultant know and they can return the report to you so that you can submit when you are ready. If you have any questions on your work before submitting, please contact your consultant.

### **Focus School Grant**

Budget revisions may be submitted through June. Expenses must have been incurred by June 30, 2018. There is no carryover. To date, very few claims have been made. We encourage districts to claim funds quarterly.

With more flexibility in funding options, Focus School grant funds may be used for professional development, staff or student resources, or staff stipends. Additional budgeting options have been added to WISEgrants based on school requests. If you have questions regarding budgeting within WISEgrants, please contact your Focus School consultant.

#### WSRA Convention

The Wisconsin State Reading Association Convention, held earlier this month, was well attended despite districts closing schools due to inclement weather. For those that were able to attend, please share your experiences and materials with your colleagues. Next year's convention, "Literacy Excellence: Equity, Engagement, and Empowerment" will be held February 7-9. Announced speakers to date include Pedro Noguera, Paul Gorski, Linda Christensen, Decoteau Irby, and Teaira McMurtry.

WSRA sponsors events throughout the year. Check out their calendar: <a href="http://www.wsra.org/calendar">http://www.wsra.org/calendar</a>

As part of our ongoing commitment to providing all Title I Focus Schools with consistent and timely information, the Title I and School Support Team will be providing regular eBriefs to Principals, Indistar Process Managers, and Title I coordinators. We welcome suggestions about topics you would like addressed in future editions.

# **Upcoming Professional Development Opportunities**

Wisconsin Summit for Data-Informed Leadership in Green Bay, March 1-2, 2018. Online registration is available until

http://www.wasda.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1024834&group

#### **Wisconsin Title I Association**

**Conference** in Wisconsin Dells, April 5-6, 2018. The room block is held until March 5<sup>th</sup>. Online registration closes March 26th: <a href="https://sites.google.com/site/wisconsintitle">https://sites.google.com/site/wisconsintitle</a> 1associationwt1a/conferences/2018

Wisconsin Math Council (WMC) Annual Conference, May 2-4, 2018 at Green Lake. Keynotes and some sectionals have been announced. Registration is open. <a href="http://www.wismath.org/2018-Annual-Conference">http://www.wismath.org/2018-Annual-Conference</a>

The Wisconsin RtI Center holds trainings throughout the year. Check out their events:

https://www.wisconsinrticenter.org/event/all.html

The Wisconsin PBIS Network holds trainings throughout the year. Check out their events:

https://www.wisconsinpbisnetwork.org/event/events-calendar.html

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